IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant:	Ashley J. Birkett)
Serial No.:	09/930,915)) <u>PATENT</u>
Filed:	August 15, 2001) Attorney Docket
For: IMMUNOGENIC HBc CHIMER) LOR-102.2) (9720/81175)
PARTICLES HAVING ENHANCED STABILITY) Group Art No.
Examiner: Peng Bo, PhD) 1648)

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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Sir:

A Four-month extension of time in response to the Office Action mailed March 4, 2009, in which a Notice of Appeal was filed on September 1, 2009, is respectfully requested.

There is submitted herewith the following:

- Appellants' Brief on Appeal;
- 2. Brief on Appeal fee in the amount of \$540.00 paid electronically;

3. Fee for Petition for Four-Month Extension of Time in the amount of \$1,730.00, paid electronically.

No further fee or petition is believed to be necessary in addition to those that are enclosed. Should any fee be needed, please charge our Deposit Account No. 23-0920, and deem this paper to be the required petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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